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Topic: Fish Description Change on WIC Checks

Dear WIC Retail Vendor:

This letter is to serve as notice that the food descriptions for fish printed on WIC checks beginning on **March 3, 2014** will be changing. The change is being made to assist cashiers in understanding the quantity of tuna or sardines that the WIC customer can purchase.

Below are the current fish descriptions that are on Missouri WIC checks. The quantity is listed before the type of fish that is authorized.

CURRENT FOOD DESCRIPTIONS

- 8 (3.75 OZ) SARDINES WATER PACK ONLY
- 12 (3.75 OZ) SARDINES WATER PACK ONLY
- 6 (5 OZ CANS) TUNA WATERPACK
- 9 (5 OZ CANS) TUNA WATERPACK

The new revised food descriptions that will be printed on the WIC checks being **March 3, 2014** will have the quantity authorized in the "Quantity" column on the check. The food description in the "Food Description" box will appear as:

REVISED FOOD DESCRIPTIONS AS OF MARCH 3, 2014

- 3.75 OZ CANS SARDINES WATER-PACK ONLY
- 5 OZ CANS TUNA WATER-PACK ONLY

Enclosed is a poster regarding the change to the fish description. Please post a copy at each register to assist cashiers and WIC customers.

If there are any questions regarding this notice, please contact a member of the Vendor Group at (573) 751-6204. When you dial this number you will get an automated answering system, at the prompt press "2", then press "6" and ask for the Vendor Group.

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